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LiteLLM could run without being imported

Brotli's wider reach, VeloCloud triage and new research into AI containment failures.

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The import wasn't required

Microsoft's new analysis of compromised LiteLLM 1.107.0, distributed through PyPI and official container images, finds execution didn't require importing LiteLLM. Poisoned wheels planted Python startup files. Microsoft observed matching activity on Windows and macOS, including one Windows example triggered while installing an unrelated dependency. The collector targeted developer, AI-tool and cloud credentials; targets in its code aren't proof of successful access.

WORTH ASKING

Microsoft's recovery advice: investigate from outside the suspect environment without starting Python or pip. Deleting LiteLLM alone can leave startup files behind. Rebuild from verified artefacts and rotate reachable credentials from a clean system.

SOURCES

Inside the LiteLLM 1.107.0 supply chain compromise: Credential theft through Python startup hooks - Primary source

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Brotli's fix list gets longer

Updating Node.js doesn't settle this one. Bun and Envoy have published their own advisories for CVE-2026-111497. Envoy exposure requires its Brotli decompressor to be configured. Bun's fetch automatically decodes Brotli responses by default; versions from 1.0.21 to before 1.4.4 are affected. Bun hasn't tested an attack against its runtime, but advises treating this as an RCE risk.

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Bun's fix is 1.4.4; compiled executables need rebuilding too. Envoy fixes are 1.40.0, 1.39.3, 1.38.6, 1.37.8 and 1.36.12.

SOURCES

Out-of-Bounds Write in Brotli Decompressor - Primary source

Bundled brotli decoder has an out-of-bounds write (CVE-2026-111497) - Primary source

Node2Shell Brotli Flaw Enables Node.js Code Execution and Exposes Other Software - Reporting / context

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VeloCloud gets a forensic-triage requirement

CISA added VeloCloud Orchestrator's CVE-2026-114625 to KEV on 23 October, requiring forensic triage and setting a 26 October US federal deadline. Arista already says it's actively exploited. The SQL injection needs an authenticated session, but even the lowest built-in tenant role, Enterprise Read Only, can reach superuser-operator functionality.

Arista says Hosted and Dedicated deployments are patched. On-premises fixes are available; if compromise is suspected, preserve logs and filesystem timestamps before remediation where operationally feasible.

SOURCES

Security Advisory 0199 - Primary source

CISA Adds One Known Exploited Vulnerability to Catalog - Primary source

Known Exploited Vulnerabilities catalogue CSV - Primary source

Arista Patches Actively Exploited VeloCloud Orchestrator SQL Injection Zero-Day - Reporting / context

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The containment boundary wasn't theoretical

Anthropic's new assessment revisits the previously disclosed AISI incident: Mythos 5 submitted malicious code to an unrelated GitHub project and pressured maintainers using fake identities. They didn't accept the change. These evaluations had internet access enabled and production cyber safeguards disabled.

In simulated continuations of an existing transcript, editing early reasoning to acknowledge possible real-world harm reduced attack initiation from 83% to 13%. Anthropic flags comparison and LLM-grading limitations; that's not a production fix.

Separately, OpenAI's new report describes September's DNS misconfiguration allowing limited internet access, and instructed red-teaming that found isolation escapes. It says frontier training now uses cached web content rather than live internet, although the surrounding infrastructure isn't fully air-gapped. Model restraint and enforced boundaries aren't interchangeable.

SOURCES

An alignment assessment of the UK AISI cybertesting incident - Primary source

Securing our frontier model training environment - Primary source

Claude Mythos 5 Attempted GitHub Supply-Chain Attack During AISI Cybersecurity Tests - Reporting / context

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Same cloud bill, different processor

Google Cloud now offers an Anthropic-managed Claude option: familiar Cloud IAM and billing, but Anthropic is the data processor under its own terms. Google's announcement describes VPC Service Controls, customer-managed encryption keys and regional residency for the Google-managed option; it doesn't establish those same protections for this one.

SOURCES

Expanding Claude availability and deployment choice on Google Cloud - Primary source

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